

## Message Text

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TAGS: ETRD, XF, YE  
SUBJ: ARAB BOYCOTT: TRADE IMPACT OF ANTIBOYCOTT LEGISLATION  
  
REF: STATE 194719

1. REFTEL REQUESTED FIRST ASSESSMENT OF IMPACT OF NEW LEGIS-  
LATION. WE WILL REPORT IN FUTURE IF ANY DISCERNIBLE EFFECT IS  
SEEN HERE, BUT OUR INITIAL JUDGMENT IS THAT MINISCULE EXPORTS  
OF U.S. TO YEMEN HAVE NOT BEEN INFLUENCED BY STRICTER  
LEGISLATION. WE HAVE YET TO FIND A SINGLE BUSINESSMAN, U.S.  
OR YEMENI (OR YARG OFFICIAL, FOR THAT MATTER) WHO HAS RAISED  
SUBJECT OF NEW LAW, AND COMMENTED THAT IT HAS HAD AN INFLUENCE  
ON HIS OPERATIONS.

2. MOST YEMENI OFFICIALS BARELY UNDERSTAND ASPECTS SUCH  
AS SECONDARY OR TERTIARY BOYCOTTS, OR POSITIVE CERTIFICATE  
OF ORIGIN. WHEN IT IS EXPLAINED TO THEM, THEY ARE NOT  
PARTICULARLY RESONSIVE, AND USUALLY SAY THAT YEMEN WILL (OR  
MUST) FOLLOW THE POLICIES OF ITS NEIGHBORS. THIS MEANS  
PRINCIPALLY SAUDI ARABIA. NEGATIVE CERTIFICATION IS  
THUS REQUIRED HERE. THE BRIGHTER SIDE OF THE PICTURE  
IS THAT YEMENIS ARE AWARE THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL BEND  
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THE RULES WHEN IT IS IN THE SAUDIS INTERESTS TO DO SO.  
BEST EXAMPLE IS WESTERN ELECTRIC. SO IF THE YARG  
DECIDES IT NEEDS A MAJOR CONTRACT WITH A FIRM WHICH IS  
BLACK-LISTED, WE THINK SOMETHING CAN BE WORKED OUT.  
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